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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

NAKAGAWA, et al.

Application No.:

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For:

PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIA AND

MAGNETIC STORAGE APPARATUS USING THE SAME

Group:

1773

Examiner:

K. Bernatz

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 January 26, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendments to the Claims;

Remarks are included following the amendments.